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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

The three month response period for responding to the outstanding Office action mailed

June 25, 2007 expired on September 25, 2007. Applicant's hereby petition and request a one (1)

month extension of time to extend the response period from September 25, 2007 through

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October 25, 2007. A check in the amount of \$120 is enclosed to cover the one month extension fee.

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated June 25, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following amendments and remarks. By this amendment, thirty-two (32) claims remain pending in this application including seven (7) independent claims.

Should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all such other fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment to deposit account number 03-0172, order number 22188/06985.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.